MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikappalli*): May I know why, when both the Chief Engineer and the Land Revenue Commissioner had recommended the introduction of the ferry, the Government did not carry it out?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Government ordered that the question may be dropped; and the reason for it, as I gather from the papers, is that the people were not willing to contribute towards the cost of maintenance of the ferry.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Are the people usually called upon to contribute in such cases?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): In all cases?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): In most cases.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Does the member know the class of the people to be benefited by the ferry; is it the rich or the poor?

MR A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The people who want the ferry should pay at least for the maintenance of the ferry.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Was it not reported by the Land Revenue Commissioner that it is the poor fisherfolk that are going to use the ferry?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the reason, which weighed with the Government in ordering the proposal to be dropped, was that the people refused to contribute towards the cost of maintenance, and whether the Government considered the fact that it was intended for the benefit of the poor people?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Government have no objection to reconsider the question if the people would express it.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Do Government want a fresh representation for that?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Statement, by caste, of the officers drawing over Rs. 15 in the Sanitary Department.

10. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the officers drawing a salary of over Rs. 15 in the Sanitary Department?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A statement* furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Statement, by caste, of the officers of the Co-operative Department.

11. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by

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